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# CALM AFTER STORM KOMURA STILL

Telegraphs.

NO MENTION OF KOMURA FAMILY | MAY NOT HAVE TYPHOID AFTER ASSASSINATION.

Text of Great Britain-Japan Treaty Takahira Coming to Washington This Still Remains a Secret-Action of Diet.

PARIS, September 14 .- The foreign office has received a dispatch from the French minister at Tokio saying that calm has been re-established, but that the legation as a precautionary measure continues under military guard.

The minister also confirms the loss of the battleship Mikasa, but he does not mention the rumored attack on the family of Baron Komura, which is construed by the officials here as showing that the report was unfounded.

It is the present intention to postpone making public the text of the new treaty between Great Britain and Japan. The officials here were advised that the first plan was to make it public in London and Tokie last Monday, but Japan asked for further time, probably on account of the internal disorders, and it was thereupon arranged to let the publication go over for a month. In the meantime it is said the treaty alliance and of the Portsmouth treaty will be officially communicated to the public at the same time, as the two documents are expected to counterbalance documents are expected to counterbalance cach other with the Japanese public, However, it is possible that action of the Japanese diet upon the treaties may lead to a postponement of the publication of their texts beyond a month. In the meantime it is said that the new Anglo-Japanese alliance does not contain the cache of their texts beyond not contain surprises outside of the main features summarized in these dispatches September 7, but that in addition the agreement covers secret clauses known only to the contracting parties and which will not be made public.

## NO FIREARMS SALE.

Bulletin Again Posted in St. Peters-

burg. ST. PETERSBURG, September 14.-A proclamation signed by Assistant Minister throughout St. Petersburg against prohibitbidding the sale of arms or ammunition in open markets were partly ignored yesterday, and the authorities searched the markets, confiscated all the arms and ammunition which were for sale and fined

## BUSINESS MEN MEET.

Take Peace Conditions Philosophically

in Tokio. TOKIO, September 14, 1 p.m.-In spite of the strong undercurrent of indignation pervading all classes over the terms of peace arranged with Russia, typical business men here are following a wiser course, without replning over an accomplished fact. An important organization, representing eightyone leading business interests, has been formed under the presidency of M. Iwade, a millionaire, who aims to work for the development of home industries and foreign trade with redoubled energy. A significant feature of the organization is that it conof a wealthy and conservative element, representing an enormous combina-tion of capital. Its interests and energy will be principally directed toward the ex-ploitation of trade with Korea and China. The organization is prepared to co-op-erate in this direction with foreign capi-

## MADE CONFESSION.

Dramatic Expose in Criminal Trial in San Francisco.

SACRAMINTO, Cal., September 14 .-Brought from his prison cell to confront his alleged associate in the boodling combine of last winter, Harry Bunkers, former state senator from San Francisco, yesterday made a complete confession on the witness stand in Judge Hart's court room, where the trial of E. J. Emmons, one of the state senators indicted by the grand jury, was in progress. From the moment of his entrance into the court room until he left it, pale and perspiring, three hours later, Bunkers was the central figure in of the most dramatic exposes in criminal trials of this state. He left nothing untold, and in his eagerness to unbosom himself he forestalled the objections of the defense with statements relating to the motives and actions of the four disgraced legislators. Much of this was stricken from the testimony. He detailed the plan of campaign, which he says was one whereby the building and loan associations of the state were to be "held up" and compelled to pay for protection.

He told also of receiving money, stating that Joseph Johnson had dropped his roll of \$350 in his pocket as he stood in the street just as Jordan said he did, and had said that Emmons received his share but two minutes before. Lastly, he told of the terror and fright that followed the expose in the senate, the last conference held in Emmons' room over the disposal of the marked bills and of the suggestions that were made to clear themselves of guilt.

## FOUR MEN KILLED.

Others Seriously Injured by Light-

ning. INDIANOLA, Iowa, September 14.-Four men were killed, six were seriously burned and a dozen more were stunned by lightning which wrecked a crowded poultry exhibition tent at the county fair here today,

The dead are:
Blain Wright of Pleasantville, Iowa, and
Ray Anderson, Carl Peterson and Theodore
Runge, ali of Indianola. The lightning struck the tent pole split-ting it in two and tearing the sides of the

tent in shreds. Hundreds of the chickens on exhibition were killed.

Long Auto Trip.

CHICAGO, September 14.-Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Hamila and Harry Askin yesterday completed a Chicago-New York trip of 1,400 miles, having made the distance in mishap or mechanical disarrangement. The car weighed 4,900 pounds with its contents. The distance was covered in a wide detour, which was found necessary in New York state on account of heavy storms having washed away roads and bridges.

The distance was covered in a wide detour, which has occasioned much damage.

Father Phelan Coming Home,

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ROME, September 14.—The Rev. Father D. R. Phelan of St. Louis, Mo., left Rome to be issued to complete these important addisarrangement. The the new sewer system of Manila and for the gravity water supply of that same city. Bonds to a value of \$4,000,000, of which one million has already been issued, are to be issued to complete these important addisarrangement. The the new sewer system of Manila and for the new sewer system of Manila and for the gravity water supply of that same city. The orange maggot proceeds from the gravity water supply of that same city. The orange maggot proceeds from the gravity which has occasioned much damage.

ROME, September 14.—The Rev. Father D. R. Phelan of St. Louis, Mo., left Rome additional plans and specifications for the new sewer system of Manila and for the gravity water supply of that same city. The orange maggot proceeds from the gravity at the orange maggot. The train service has been interrupted. Mr. Hamlin's fourteen-horse-power auto-

French Minister at Tokio No Change in Condition This Afternoon.

Afternoon-Suite Going

Special Dispatch to The Star.

Minister Takahira will go to Washington Minister Takahira will go to Washington this afternoon, as the baron's condition has improved so materially. Most of the members of the baron's suite will leave for Seattle by the 2:04 Lake Shore Limited this afternoon. They will sail on the steamship Dakota for Yokohama on September 20. They are Mr. Denison, the legal adviser to the envoys; Col. Tachibans, Mr. Yamaza, Mr. Adachi, Mr. Herata, Mr. Otchiai and Mr. Ishinii. Mr. Ishiuji.
Mr. Sato, Mr. Honda and Mr. Komashi
will remain with Baron Komura.

# FREELY PROMISED PENSIONS.

Butler Harris Charged With Victimiz-

ing Southern Negroes. The commissioner of pensions was in formed today of the arrest of Butler Harris of the Interior Trepoff has been posted in North Carolina, on charges of impersonating a government officer and defrauding the sale of revolvers or ammunition to ing ex-slaves. Harris has been held to the wage scale. The move was in accordthe public generally, and also forbidding awalt the action of a federal grand jury. ance with the determination made by the army officers to purchase revolvers or am- It appears from the report made to Commissioner Warner that Harris represented superiors. The orders recently issued for- himself to be a special agent of the pension bureau, appointed by President Roosevelt for the purpose of getting pensions for exslaves. He visited a number of these people in South Carolina and made many victims. His practice, it is said, was to obtain a small sum of money from each person with whom he transacted business as a fee. This fee varied in size, according to the purse of the person victimized. For a fee of 50 cents, it is stated, Harris promised that the giver thereof should receive \$75 in cash and pension of \$12 a month. For a fee of \$1 the ex-slave was promised \$100 in cash and the pension; for \$1.50 the sum of \$150 cash and pension would be paid, and so on up, the amount of cash being raised \$100 for each additional dollar given as a fee. Examiner Dow McClain of the pension bureau made the arrest after working on the case several weeks with Examiner Jennings. Harris is said to have worked several schemes of a similar nature before, and is given half a dozen different names. He is said to have served a term in the peniten to which he was sent for selling water and representing it to be whisky.

## GROWTH OF JAPAN'S COMMERCE. Extensive Harbor Improvements at Osaka.

The daily consular reports print a very interesting report in regard to Japanese though held in good favor by the emperor, progress in trade. The report says that in 1902 at four of Japan's thirty ports open to Japanese trade Japanese vessels regis- it is believed that Bishop O'Connell's abtering 19,609,745 tons and foreign ships of sence will be extended. 12,092,615 tons cleared. Osaka, which is sometimes called the Liverpool of Japan, as Japan is often called the England of the east, is a veritable beehive of human Protest Against Expropriation of industry. Day and night there is a ceaseless whirl of wheels-a murmur of machinery and rattle of carts. Eight years ago \$11,250,000 was appropriated to build docks, improve its harbor, etc., with a view to what will be wanted when the Panama canal is cut, and of this sum \$9,000,000 has been spent.

It is thought from fifteen to twenty millions more will be expended before the city has what its engineers deem necessary. In 1884 the imports of Japan were valued at \$25,000,000, of which the United States supplied \$2,000,000 and Great Britain \$11,-000,000, whereas in 1904 Japan bought \$185, 000 000, of which we furnished \$29,000,000 and Great Britain \$37,000,000.

### TO INSPECT ALCATRAZ ISLAND. Departure of Judge Advocate General Davis for San Francisco.

Judge Advocate General George B. Davis left here last night for San Francisco, where he goes to investigate the feasibility of enlarging the military prison at Alcatraz Island, in San Francisco bay. This island is now used jointly for a prison and military post. For some time the prison quarters have been crowded. New buildings have been erected and an appropriation is available for other prison buildings, but it is held that even these will not be adequate to meet the requirements. It is now pro-posed to abandon the island as a military post and use it exclusively as a prison. Formerly this island was regarded as one of the strong defenses of San Francisco. It lies directly behind the Golden Gate, and was equipped with strong batteries. Both shores of the entrance of the harbor have since been strongly fortified, and Alcatraz as a defense is no longer neded. As a mill tary prison but one company of troops will be maintained on the island. Upon Gen. Davis' investigation and re-

## Personal Mention.

port will depend the action to be taken,

Rev. Thomas S. Lee and Mr. John Pool of Washington, D. C., are registered at the New Hotel Astor, New York.

Mr. William S. Bronson, assistant general passenger agent of the Chesapeake and Ohio railway, returned this morning, via the Nor-folk steamer, from Richmond.

New Sewer System in Manila. The bureau of insular affairs has received

GUARDS AS PRECAUTION TEMPERATURE NORMAL

Home.

NEW YORK, September 14.-Baron Ko mura, the Japanese peace envoy, who is ill at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, was resting quietly this morning, without apparent change of condition since last evening. His temperature at 6 o'clock this morning was normal, and the news of that fact did much to allay the fear caused by yesterday's report that the envoy had typhoid fever. It was Sato who said that his chief had typhoid, and the authority for the statement was one of the physicians who had been called in consultation. At that time the baron's temperature was 102. Dr. William B. Pritchard, the attending physician, did not concur in the fever diagnosis, but said that the patient was suffering from inflammation of the gall bladder. Dr. Pritchard said today that Baron Komura had passed a comfortable night and was resting well. A few Japanese went to the hotel this morning to ascertain the baron's condition, but there were no other

QUI VIVE.

of freight house employes called today upon the officials of the various railroad companies here and repeated the union's demands for higher pay or arbitration of executive board of the freight handlers' to the roads through committees of each company's own employes, since the general managers had decided not to deal directly with the union. It was expected by union officials that the answers would be

universally opposed to the union demands. This proving to be true, the executive board planned to call a mass meeting of all organized freight handlers in Chicago and the vicinity and let the rank and file vote as to whether they prefer a strike or wish to remain at work under present conditions.

## OFF TO TOKIO.

Bishop O'Connell Leaves Portland, Maine.

PORTLAND, Me., September 14.-Bishop William H. O'Connell of the Roman Catholic diocese of Maine left here today for San Francisco, whence he will sail for Tokio as a special envoy of Pope Pius X to the Emperor of Japan. Bishop O'Connell would say nothing regarding the purpose of his mission or the length of his stay in Tokio, but it was learned, however, that the pope has long considered the advisability of appointing a papal representative in Japan, where the Catholic Church, alis said to be unpopular among some classes because of the imputation that it is a

## RIOT AT SECUL.

Riverside Land.

VICTORIA, B. C., September 14.-Korean newspapers received yesterday tell of a serious riot at Seoul in protest against the expropriation of fifty square miles of riverside land, embracing ten villages and 15,-000 houses, by Japanese on the score of military necessity. The villagers went en masse to Seoul to protest and were attacked by Japanese gendarmes. A riot followed, in which one gendarme was killed and many Koreans were wounded. Subsequently a mixed force of Japanese soldiers and gendarmes went to the desired land session of the villagers has caused much distress.

## BUDDHIST MISSION.

One Will Probably Be Started in Chi-

CHICAGO, September 14.-Among its numerous other religious bodies Chicago probably will have a Japanese Buddhist mission in the near future. Kentok Hori, superintendent of the missions on the Pacific coast, arrived here yesterday for the purpose of looking over the field. He will stay here three days. Then he will visit eastern cities.

"The increasing Japanese population of the United States will soon require places of worship, just as Christians do in foreign countries," said Mr. Hori. "We have met with great success in our work among the Japanese on the Pacific coast, and I am now looking over the field in Chicago and eastern cities with a view to establishing missions for the benefit of the Japanese

Mr. Hori, who is a Buddhist priest, is a graduate of the University of Tokio. He has been in charge of the Buddhist mis-sions in this country for more than three

## Rojestvensky Recovered.

ST. PETERSBURG, September 14 .- A letter received here from Japan says Vice Admiral Rojestvensky has completely recovered from the wounds which he sustained at the battle of the Sea of Japan, but that he will not come home until the peace treaty is ratified.

CHICAGO FREIGHT MEN ON THE RULING THAT WILL AFFECT CER- CHICAGO PRINTERS AND NEW TAIN PATENT MEDICINES.

CHICAGO, September 14.—Committees Licenses Will Have to Be Taken Out by the Manufacturers and Those Selling the Drugs.

BOOM!!!

The commissioner of internal revenue toblow to a number of patent medicines composed largely of distilled liquors. He reversed a ruling of his department made four years ago, and now decides that the manufacturers of these medicines must take out licenses as rectifiers and liquor dealers and that druggists and others handling them will have to pay the usual retail liquor dealer's license. The commissioner, in a letter of instruction to collectors of internal revenue, says that there are a number of compounds on the market going under the names of medicines that are composed chiefly of distilled spirits, without the addition of drugs or medicines in sufficient quantities to change materially the character of the whisky. He authorizes col-lectors to impose the special tax upon manutacturers of every compound composed of distilled spirits, even though drugs are declared to have been added thereto, "when their presence is not discoverable by chemical analysis or it is found that the quantity of drugs in the preparation is so small as to have no appreciable effect on the

"The same ruling." declares the commissioner, "applies to every alcoholic compound labeled as a remedy for diseases and con-taining, in addition to distilled spirits, only substances or ingredients which, however to impart any medicinal quality to the com-

The commissioner says the question in each case will be determined by his office, not merely by examination of the formula submitted by the manufacturer of the com-pound, but by chemical analysis of samples obtained in the open market and sent in by local agents of the internal revenue service. To prevent injustice being done the ruling will not be put into effect until December 1. but collectors are at once instructed to send out notices to all druggists and merchants dealing in proprietary medicines that after December 1 they will be required to pay the special tax as liquor dealers for selling compounds coming within the rule. While no statement is made by the Commissioner as to the medicines that will be affected, it is stated that there are a dozen or more prominent and highly advertised medicines that will be hurt by the decision. In many instances these medicines have been found to contain as high as 45 per cent of alcohol, and there are a dozen or the market that contain 25 per cent of alcohol. The medicines have had immenssales in prohibition communities, figures colected in Massachusetts recently showing that one much-advertised compound, wit a high percentage of whiskey, had been bought to the extent of 300,000 bottles in one year in prohibition communities of one New England state.

## BURIED WITHOUT DISORDER. Body of General Prince Amilakhovri.

TIFLIS, Caucasia, September 14.-The body of Gen. Prince Amilakhovri, formerly governor of Baku, was brought into this city by troops today, and was buried without disorder occurring.

The late prince was regarded with bitter hatred, owing to the harsh measures which he adopted when he was sent on a special mission to pacify the Caucasus. The revo lutionists threatened the local priests with death if they attempted to offer prayers over the body, and no one dared to ap-proach the house. Troops were eventually dispatched to bring the body to Tiflis, and It was feared that disorders would occur at

## THE ORANGE MAGGOT.

Foe of Horticulturists Found in Mexico.

SAN FRANCISCO, September 14 .- John Isaac, after acting as representative for California in a conference with the horticultural authorities of Mexico, has just reported that he has discovered that six and perhaps more states in Mexico are harbor ing a fee of oranges, which there is reason to dread should it be permitted to enter California.

He reports that he found that thousands of oranges and mangoes have been destroyed

## MAY BE BIG STRIKF CLASSED AS LIQUORS WILL FORCE THE ISSUE

WAGE SCALE.

Special Dispatch to The Star. CHICAGO, Ill., September 14.-The International Typographical Union will force the for signature, and wherever refused a strike lah thirty-six are in will be called at once. There are about 50,-600 book and job printers in the country, 3,000 of whom are employed in Chicago.

Instructions were received yesterday from International President Lynch by President Edwin R. Wright of Chicago Union, No. 16, to force the issue in Chicago, and last night at a meeting of the union held in Musicians' Hall the chairman of every union printing shop was given a copy of the agreement with instructions to call a strike instantly if the master printer refused to sign it There are over 300 independent shops in Chicago, employing about 2,400 men, and many of them have given the officers of the union assurances that they would institute the eight-hour day.

These assurances have been voluntary, as heretofore the union has not approached any shops outside the Chicago Typothetae, but the union will know where every employer stands.

## FINNISH QUESTION.

Witte Writes to a School Principal.

NEW YORK, September 14.-While the peace negotiations were in progress at Portsmouth Prof. H. Montague Donner of the Girls' Technical High School, this city, an ardent advocate of justice to Finland, wrote to M. Witte, the Russian envoy, asking for the latter's personal views of the Finnish question. In his letter Prof. Donner asked four or five pointed questions. Through a mistake address M. Witte's reply was not received until today. Trans-

lated, it was as follows: "Dear Sir-In reply to your letter dated September 4, in which you beg me to let you know my views on the Finnish question, I have the honor to inform you that the fate of Finland has always been a subject of the greatest solicitude to me. It is superfluous to assure you that the Finlanders, other Russian subjects, have a right to the protection of the imperial government in order to allow of their fulfilling their historic mission, and I am convinced that the general measures to that end which have

just been taken by my august sovereign will not fail to bring about good results. "I regret that lack of leisure does not per mit of my replying in extenso to your letter, but I can assure you that these are the beliefs that animate the majority of Rus-

sian statesmen. "Thanking you for your letter, which I have read with the greatest interest, I beg to sign myself, dear sir, sincerely yours,

# "New York, September 10, 1905."

Quarterly Report of President Francis E. Clark.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORERS.

BOSTON, September 14.-The quarterly report on the progress of the Christian Endeavor movement by Rev. Francis E. Clark, president of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, which was made public today, records advancement in Christian Endeavor throughout the world. There are now 67,003 affiliated societies, an increase of 231 since the last convention, held in Baltimore in July. The executive committee of the board of

trustees of the United Society has appointed an international committee to take charge of the plans for celebrating the silver an-niversary of the Christian Endeavor movement. This will take the form of the crea tion of a special fund for extending young people's work in all parts of the world and the erection of an international headquar-ters building in honor of President Clark, the founder of the society. Dr. Samuel B. Capen of Boston is chairman, and the membership includes former Gov. John L. Bates of Massachusetts; Henry B. F. Macfarland, Commissioner of the District of Columbia; John Willis Baer of New York and over

### May Go Back to Korea. SEOUL, September 14.—It is rumored here that M. Pavloff, the former Russian minis-

Yalu Timber Company, are preparing to re-

Medical Forces at Work Out- Matter Resumed in New side New Orleans.

TWO TOWNS DESERTED CROMWELL ON STAND

ENCOURAGING REPORTS SENT TREASURER OF MUTUAL LIFE IN-FROM ST. ROSE.

First Suicide Due to the Disease Reported-In Other

New cases in New Orleans since 6 p.m.

Places.

Wednesday, 15. Total cases to date, 2.428. Deaths today, 3.

Total deaths, 323.

Although the yellow fever situation in the south showed no material change today, hope that the pest will be eradicated by October 1 has been abandoned by those in charge of the fight in New Orleans. The war goes on unabated with varying measures of success. In New Orleans today gangs of men were busy strewing rock salt in the gutters, while the work of screening and olling goes steadily on. Conditions In Louisiana outside of New Orleans show

perhaps a slight improvement. Shreveport, which has been the worst sufferer in the state in a business way as a result of the fever, all its trains having been cut off, is making energetic efforts to reopen communication with the outside world.

There has never been a case of yellow fever in town and none on the outskirts since the one or two cases that caused the panic there, and hundreds of people who fled from the city or went away on their vacations are now anxious to return.

The detention camp at Flomton, Ala.,

for refugees from Pensacola, is nearing completion, but Gev. Jenks of Alabama has wired a vigorous protest to Surgeon General Wyman against the establishment of the camp. Although Flomton is near the Florida line, the Alabama authorities fear the introduction of the fever into their state, which up to this time has escaped with a remarkable clean bill of health,
A few new cases have appeared in Mississippi during the past twenty-four hours. The Pensacola situation appears to be well

in hand. NEW ORLEANS, September 14 .- With steps in progress to depopulate both Tallulah and Lake Providence as much as issue for an eight-hour day with master possible, and with an ample fever force printers all over the country today. A at work at both places, the country situaclosed-shop eight-hour agreement will be tion shows some improvement as to yelpresented to the master of every union shop low fever. Out of forty squares in Tallued, many of the victims being people of prominence and some being desperately ill. Former Naval Officer J. B. Snyder is among the late

cases. Dr. Weaver sends an encouraging report from St. Rose and Pecan Grove, which was one of the worst nests of infection. There are no new cases or deaths

at either place, and the residents are now obeying the rules made for their benefit. At Patterson twenty-six patients remain n the hospital. Cases appear in considerable number in the town, but are generally mild.

The first suicide due to yellow fever has been reported. Angonio Congelo, an Ital-ian, was attacked by the disease. In his delirium he got out of bed, secured a revolve" and blew out his brains. He leaves widow and two infant children, Among the victims of the yellow fever is Arthur Wilson, the principal state wit-

screening ordinance early in the campaign. assist the Baton Rouge merchants to move freight into the interior, and has notified Gov. Blanchard that he will send Surgeon Corput there to organize a disinfecting system.

ness in a murder that grew out of the cis-

## WITHOUT FOUNDATION.

Vice President Fairbanks Accused of Using His Influence Improperly.

Dispatches sent out from Washington recently have charged that Vice President Fairbanks is an owner of stock in the Mergenthaler Linotype Company, and that he used his influence to assist in securing the introduction of typesetting machines in the big printery. Mr. Fairbanks has just authorized a denial, as strong as language

can make it, of this accusation. Speaking of the matter Col. Daniel M. Ransdell, an Indiana man and a friend of Mr. Fairbanks, said today:

"I have received a communication from Mr. Fairbanks with reference to the assertion that he owns stock in the Mergen-thaler company and that he used his influence to secure the introduction of Mer-genthalers in the printing office. He authorizes the statement that he does not own share of Mergenthaler stock and that he did not use his influence in the manne suggested. In other words, he says that the statements made are wholly withou

## NO INDEPENDENT ACTION. Pension Clerks Invited to Join the

Civil Service Retirement Association. Officials of the pension bureau deny that an organization has been effected among the clerks in that branch of the government service looking to the establishment of a civil pension. It was stated this morning that a circular was received at the bureau several days ago from the Civil Service Retirement Association requesting the employes to co-operate with the association in its efforts to secure the establishment of a civil service pension list. Blanks were sent along, which were to be filled out by the persons who desired to join the association, These blanks were distributed among the clerks, and many of them joined the or-ganization. This circular and its accompanying blanks were the same as those sent to every department of the government.

## SENATOR ALLEE HERE. Has No More to Say Regarding Ad-

Senator Allee of Delaware, whose break

with his former chief. Addicks, has created great doings in politics in Delaware, was at the Treasury Department today talking with Secretary Shaw. Senator Allee said that he was not talking on the subject of Addicks now, having made public his views recently. That was as far as he cared to ter to Korea, and M. Gushery, agent for the go now.

> Fourth-Class Postmasters. The following fourth-class postmasters

Maryland-Cloppers, Cornella J. Thompson; Selbysport, Valeria D. Grove.
Virginia—Aspen Wall, William M. Peak;
Indian Creek, Romeo R. Randolph.

## Weather.

Fair and continued cool tonight; tomorrow, fair,

# YELLOW FEVER TODAY INSURANCE INQUIRY

York Today.

SURANCE COMPANY.

Continued Explanations of Syndicate Operations-Bank Stock Owned.

NEW YORK, September 14.-When the insurance investigation was opened today the first witness was Frederick Cromwell, treasurer of the Mutual Life Insurance Company. Mr. Cromwell was being questioned by Counsel Hughes when the committee adjourned yesterday, and today he continued his explanations of syndicate operations in which the Mutual Life partici-

Balances of from \$7,000,000 to \$10,000,000

maintained in the National Bank of Com-

merce of New York in 1904 were explained by Mr. Cromwell, who said the reason for keeping such large sums at that bank was that the bank paid the company 2 per cent interest, while the insurance company could not have loaned the money on call at that rate. Mr. Cromwell denied that these balances were kept there to help the National Bank of Commerce make money. The Mutual Life being a large stockholder in the bank, he said, was naturally favorably disposed toward maintaining a large balance there, especially when the money was not needed. Mr. Cromwell, questioned further on the subject, said that it was brought out that the Mutual Life Insurance Company owns 36,088 shares of the stock of the Na-

tional Bank of Commerce.

The relations of the Mutual Life Insurance Company with trust companies were touched upon again today, and while on this matter Mr. Cromwell detailed the conthis matter Mr. Cromwell detailed the con-nection of this company with the Title Guarantee and Trust Company. "We thought this company a particularly good investment at this time." said he. "So we took \$1,120,000 of its shares. On this we have drawn \$1,220,000. These shares, therefore, cost us less than nothing. They are now selling at over 600 (par value \$100). We now hold \$500,000 of this stock

## at par. We keep \$500,000 on deposit there,

Rate Per Cent Paid. A statement showing the rate per cent paid by various trust companies to the Mutual Life was given by Mr. Hughes.

"Now, I find," said Mr. Hughes, "the Mutual company is only forty-first in the list trust companies according to the interest they earn as assets. Can you explain with all your facilities for syndicate and other operations you cannot earn

Mr. Cromwell said that as the company only invested in first-class securities it could not get the highest rate of interest. t had only \$5,000,000 in foreclosed property, whereas it had acquired property, whereas it had acquired property now worth \$33,000,000 at a cost of \$18,000,000.
"The large profit thus carned through rise in values more than made up for any apparent loss through low interest," said Mr. Cromwell.

Mr. Cromwell was asked how far the good will of the Guarantee Trust Company dependent upon association with the Mu-

"The trust company is helped by sociation," said Mr. Cromwell. "If it ceased no one can say what would happen, but I think the value would be maintained. The matter of the ownership of the subsidiary trust companies by the Mutual Life is not a matter that has been concealed. It is all stated in our books, and the relations there-

of are spread upon our records." "Other life insurance companies," said Mr. Hughes, "do not use trust companies and make more money. I want to find out what exact value these trust companies are

to you."
Mr. Cromwell replied: "We have \$240,000,-000 of personal securities and there is not one that is not paying interest. We could lend, no doubt, a great deal of money at 5 per cent, but not safely, and safety is our main concern. The western companies can quite likely lend money on mortgages in Milwaukee and other places with absolute safety at 5 per cent, but we cannot here.

# Then we charge our policy holders only 5 per cent on loans, while other companies charge 6 per cent."

Received Interest. Mr. Hughes then elicited from the witness that the Mutual Life received 31/2 per cent interest on debentures taken from the United States Mortgage and Trust Company, though the latter loaned money on mortgages at 4 per cent. The difference went to

the trust company. James M. Beck, counsel for the Mutual Life, interrupted by saying that the Mutual Life had the personal guarantee of the trust company behind its debenture, besides the value of the securities against which they

are issued. Mr. Hughes remarked: "The personal guarantee of the trust company, of which the Mutual is itself one-half." He elicited the fact the Mutual had a committee to

watch the trust company.

"Why don't you loan directly yourself, then?" asked Mr. Hughes.

"Because we don't loan on real estate securities; we have not the machinery. 'You say you don't, but you really do,"

said Mr. Hughes. Mr. Cromwell was excused with a request to prepare a statement showing how much more the Mutual Life would have obtained if it had loaned directly on real estate instead of through trust companies.

James A. Jarvie, a member of the firm of Arbuckle Bros., a trustee of the Mutual Life Insurance Company and a member of the finance committee, followed Mr. Crom-well. Mr. Jarvie testified that he was also a director in the Central Trust Company, the Bank of America, the National Bank of Commerce, the Guarantee Trust Company, the Mutual Alliance Trust Company, the Morton Trust Company and two or three others. The witness was questioned along the line of the syndicate operations upon which Mr. Cromwell was questioned yes-terday. Mr. Jarvie's firm had participated in a number of syndicates with the Mutual in a number of syndicates with the Mutual Life, but Mr. Jarvie said that his firm was in no way influenced by the action of the Mutual Life, as they had participated in syndicates long before he had any connection with the Mutual Life. As Mr. Jarvie was leaving the stand Attorney Beck, for the Mutual Life, asked Mr. Hughes for permission to ask a question of the witness. The question brought out the statement from Mr. Jarvie that he would not remain a trustee if the right to invest his private funds was impaired by any condition at-tached to the office. Mr. Jarvie did not think the Mutual Life could get a board of trustees if it made any such conditions.

Henderson Called Next. Charles R. Henderson, trustee and memper of the finance committee of the Mutual Life, who was next called, said the use of

banking houses as intermediaries in making large investments was necessary. There was no means by which these profits made by the bankers could be obtained by the insurance company, he said. Mr. Henderson said he had participated in some of the syndicates in which the Mutual Life was also interested, but that he had never al-

warmer.